

Where change makers are made

Guildhouse School creates change makers

We provide an education environment where ideas are free to incubate and empower students to positively change the world.



Intuition

Confidence in making correct decisions and judgements is the key to becoming a successful leader and changing the world for the better



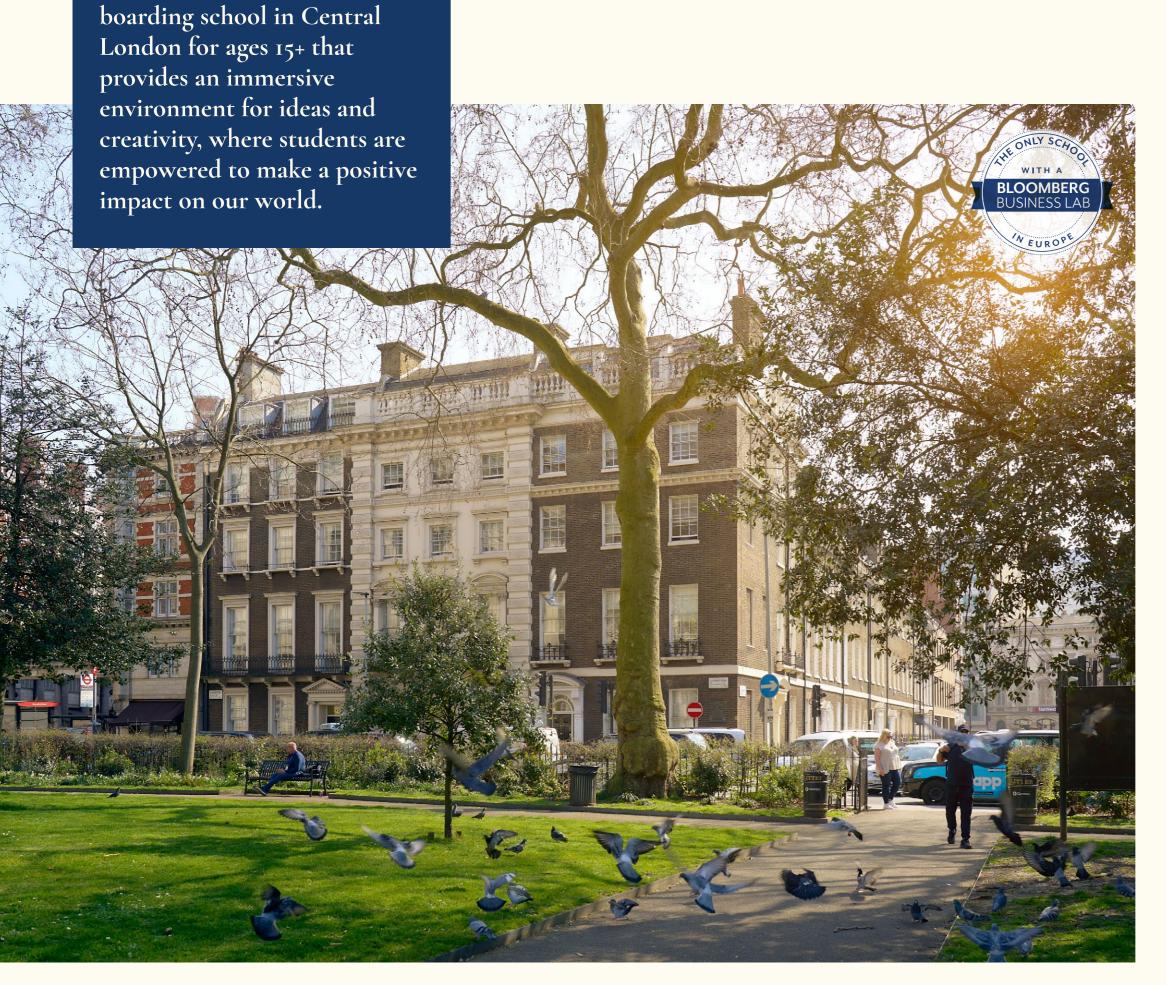
Creativity

Being able to solve a problem or seeing something in a completely new way, are the most valuable skills for those who want to achieve



Impact

Understanding and emotional intelligence are key to shaping the conversation and becoming an effective change maker



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Welcome to Guildhouse School

Throughout the centuries, City of London Guilds and Livery Companies have been synonymous with enterprise and enlightenment. At Guildhouse School, we mirror this, encouraging creative ideas to flourish and students to be empowered to pioneer.

We have spent 10 years perfecting our approach. Through our core values we build our students' confidence and decision-making capabilities by nurturing their intuition and creativity so they can problem solve, make an impact, and become effective change makers.

Being in the heart of London means we can draw on the world's most successful centre of commerce. We are proud to be the only High School in Europe with a Bloomberg Lab and actively encourage every student to develop an entrepreneurial spirit through our year-round

programme of business inspired activities.
Through taking the most dynamic qualities from business and creative industries, we offer an all-encompassing education that gives our students the skills and experience they would not normally receive until they are well into their university studies.

From our Bloomsbury Square campus, our students can experience London in a way that few other schools can offer. Through an encouraging environment where ideas are free to incubate, Guildhouse makes changemakers.

"Change makers envision a better world and act upon their dreams. They are pioneers who engage with others to make tangible improvements to all our lives, and the world."

Janu Paonte.

James Slocombe Headmaster, Guildhouse School



Why Guildhouse School?



The Only Bloomberg Lab in a High School in Europe

As the only high school in Europe with a Bloomberg Lab, Guildhouse uniquely offers students the opportunity to gain practical insights into the business world and complete the prestigious Bloomberg Markets Concepts qualification.

Our commitment to taking the best teachings from the business world is shown in the success of our students with over 48% going on to study a business or economics related degree. We are the creators of the first University Foundation Programme in Financial Trading which introduces students to the dynamic world of modern commerce, and we also offer a range of extracurricular business activities which allow students to develop their skills and intuition.



A Pioneering Central London Boarding School

For over 10 years, Guildhouse has been educating students from Bloomsbury Square in central London. Built in the late 17th century, our campus comprises a row of impressive regency townhouses with all the style and flourish one would expect from historic Bloomsbury. Our classrooms overlook the famous Bloomsbury Square and with a short walk to Holborn Underground Station, we are perfectly placed to explore the city.

Our location not only gives our students access to all the attractions of the world's greatest city; our school is also surrounded by some of the world's most famous universities, businesses and the international financial centre of the world.



Inspiring Entrepreneurial Spirit

Our aim is to redefine what education can offer tomorrow's high-fliers.

The environment we have developed goes beyond the classroom to give students an introduction to the fast-moving world of adulthood that they will inherit.

By developing the most sought-after skills from the world of business, we instil in our students the confidence to challenge the norms and become the change makers of tomorrow. We want to ensure that our students understand what they can achieve and introduce them to skills and ways of thinking that they would not normally encounter until well into their university studies.



In the Heart of the Action

"Guildhouse School is at the heart of the world's greatest city. Our students have access to amazing opportunities that cannot be found anywhere else."

James Slocombe Headmaster, Guildhouse School



Experience

Studying in the UK capital is the ideal preparation trendsetting is bound to inspire!



A True World City

London is the heart of world commerce, being the heart of global currency trading

Excellent Links As a global hub, students in London can access the entire globe



University Excellence

Home to four of the world's top 40 universities



Attracting talent

£500 million of research income attracts top talent



Although London is a huge city, students are always close to beautiful green spaces. There are eight Royal Parks where students can enjoy music festivals, relax with a picnic or watch the local herds of deer. The city also has a number of amazing outdoor spaces like the Royal Botanic Gardens.

Amazing Shopping

The range of shops in London will give students plenty to explore. Unique independent boutiques sit alongside major high street brands and the most exclusive designer labels, while the traditional London markets sell gifts, locally sourced food and books. Students also have the opportunity to visit Europe's largest shopping centre at Westfield Stratford, and iconic department stores such as Harrods or Selfridges.

The Heart of the

Global Economy

launchpad to exploration and achievement.

London is the world's most international and connected financial centre attracting businesses and professionals from around the globe. \$3.6tn in forex trades are made in London every day making it the biggest trading centre in the world. London has a long history as a diverse and welcoming city

with 300 languages being spoken. As the centre of one of the

most connected international flight networks, studying here is a

Sporting Greats

Some of the world's biggest sporting events are hosted in London and the city is home to seven Premier League Football Teams. Students can watch a football match at Wembley Stadium, see cricket played at Lord's or spectate a tennis grand slam at Wimbledon.

The World's Greatest City

for students keen to pursue an international career. There is little that can be said about London that has not been said before and its high concentration of cultural sites, rich history and 21st century

Entrepreneurial Spirit

Redefining what a school can be

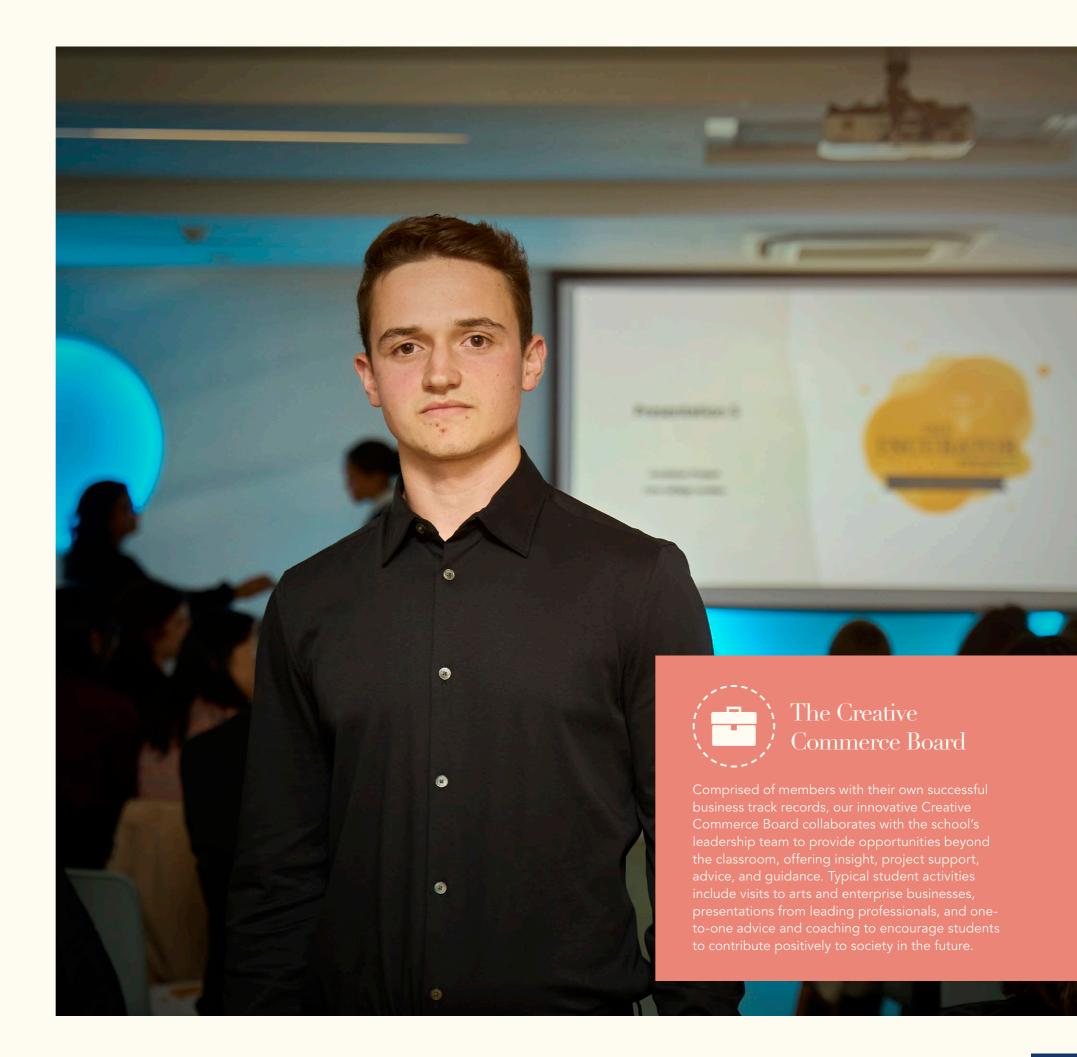
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Business-inspired education

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Business masterclasses

Learn about different aspects of commerce and what it is like to work in a range of professions through masterclasses delivered by professionals, business leaders and entrepreneurs - either on campus or at businesses in London. Recent masterclass examples include talks from tech start-ups, visits to the bank of England, workshops from the Institute of Chartered Accountants and a seminar from leading education charity, United World Schools





Search Guildhouse School Entrepreneurial Spirit to discover more

The Business Incubator Challenge

A big event in our calendar is our annual Incubator Challenge where students develop their own unique business idea and pitch it to a panel of experts from our Creative Commerce Board. Last year's entries included an innovative breathalyser to encourage safer driving, a sustainable energy device, a travel sharing platform and a clothing brand spotting augmented reality app that won top prize!



"My winning idea is BrandFit, a brand identifying clothing app. In future, I'll be working towards getting more collaborators and making my business a reality."

TofiIncubator Challenge winner and creator of BrandFit



Bloomberg Lab

Guildhouse School is home to the only Bloomberg Lab in a high school in Europe

All our students have access to the Bloomberg Terminals® and are encouraged to take the Bloomberg Market Concepts Qualification (BMC) which offers students an unparalleled introduction to financial markets that they would not normally receive until studying at university.



Every Guildhouse student, irrespective of programme or subjects, will have the opportunity to earn the BMC



Over 250 Guildhouse students have achieved the BMC



48% of students go on to a business or business or economics related degree

The Competitive Edge

Boosts students' competitiveness for university and the job market by developing hands-on knowledge and real-world experience that most students do not gain until postgraduate study.

Gain technical understanding

Students are introduced to the techniques employed by traders and investors to maximise returns through simulated trading and investment projects.

Develop Analytical Skills

Deepen research and classwork, while learning how to analyse financial markets, assess economic scenarios and interpret the key news developments that impact the global economy.

Applicable knowledge

Each year we run business activities including our Incubator Challenge where students can apply the knowledge they gain from the Bloomberg Lab and shine.







Every student at Guildhouse School has

access to Bloomberg Market Concepts

provides an interactive introduction to

Bloomberg Terminal functions.

(BMC), a self-paced e-learning course that

the financial markets and features over 70

Search **Guildhouse School Bloomberg Lab** to discover more

have exclusive access to Bloomberg Terminals where they make decisions based on reallife live data and analyse the results, giving them must needed transferable skills that can be applied to real-world situations."

> James Slocombe Headmaster, Guildhouse School

NEW LAB OPENING IN 2023



Personal Development Curriculum

The Guildhouse School student experience is not just about studying. We strive to develop our students as well-rounded individuals who can become impactful global citizens. Our Personal Development Curriculum has been created to help students understand the world around them and become as informed as possible when making the big decisions they will encounter in life.

Key areas covered include

- Personal, Social and Health Education (PSHE)

 the development of skills and knowledge not necessarily associated with a curriculum subject or discipline.
- Being a 'global citizen' understanding the world around us and current affairs with a focus on learning to digest and process information to make informed views.
- Respecting and embracing equality and diversity – appreciating the differences between people and understanding that prejudice and discrimination are unacceptable.
- Preparing for independence and responsibility in readiness for adulthood.
- Understanding how to assess risk and make good decisions.





Guildhouse School Student
Experience to discover more

Student Experience

Student life at Guildhouse School

At Guildhouse School we are committed to creating a safe, inclusive and supportive education environment. We understand that studying in the UK may be a very different experience for international students and over our history have created a school that allows students to flourish.

What Students can expect at Guildhouse School

Subject Support

Students engage with their teachers to assess their progress and if extra subject specific support is needed additional sessions outside of usual lesson times in one-to-one or small groups can be made available.

Immersive English

All school life is conducted in English, giving every student the opportunity to master the language in both academic and social settings. Our immersive education style nurtures every student to build knowledge, become resilient and achieve the best outcomes in life.

Additional Learning Support

Students are encouraged to highlight any additional learning challenges they may have.
Our teachers also monitor for indicators of any challenges a student may have in their own learning.

Supportive Staff

Our academic staff team and live-in House Parents are always on hand to provide the highest standard of safety and pastoral care and help students settle into the school by creating a caring and comfortable home.

University Success

Achieving the best academic outcomes

At Guildhouse School we understand that attending a top UK university is a dream of many. To give our students the best advantage when applying to university, we have developed an enhanced package of application support that ensures students are fully prepared for admissions interviews, produce the best personal statement and feel confident in their application.

out of 24
We've sent students to 22 out of

the 24 Russel Group Universities*

conditional progression agreements with UK universities

University Visits

Universities from around the world visit Guildhouse School throughout the year to present their course offerings and give students the chance to ask any questions they might have.

Open Days

It is important that students know as much as possible about the universities they are applying to. We support students to attend open days so they can get the best insight into their chosen university and decide if they feel that it is the right destination for them.

Personal Statement

Personal Tutors (PTs) have extensive experience of university admissions and know what will make a student's application stand out. PTs dedicate time to getting to know each student and their interests to ensure their personal statement is the best reflection of them as an individual.





*between 2012-2021



University Progression Team

Higher Education Counsellors

Students are allocated a specific Higher Education Counsellor (HEC) who works with them to ensure their applications are completed to the highest possible standard and correctly submitted. The Guildhouse School HECs organise higher education lessons and workshops, organise external speakers and university visits, and oversee the university application process.

Academic Counsellor

Our Academic Counsellor (AC) is responsible for supporting students with additional academic requirements specific to the course they are applying to study. The AC oversees preparation for university entrance exams including the BioMedical Admissions Test (BMAT), UK Clinical Aptitude Test (UKCAT), the Law National Aptitude Test (LNAT) and Oxbridge additional tests along with organising work experience and practice interviews. The AC also oversees and monitors the AQA Extended Project Qualification.

"My proudest moment
is always results day –
when you see students
fulfil their goals and move
onto the next step in their
educational journey!"

Christopher Cernuschi
Assistant Head (Projects and Outcomes)

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Key Professions Support

For students wishing to pursue a degree in a competitive field such as law, finance, medicine, Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Maths (STEAM), or apply to Oxbridge we offer additional tailored support:

Local Lectures - we encourage students to attend lectures at London's universities and other institutions.

Work Experience and volunteering is beneficial to candidates for any degree course as it demonstrates the student's willingness and ability to contribute beyond the school.

University exam preparation– we offer support with specialist classes for BMAT, UKCAT, LNAT and Oxbridge admissions exams.

Practice Interviews are used by many top UK universities as part of their selection process.

Links with external organisations - we have strong links with a range of successful London businesses, allowing students to learn outside the classroom and connect with industry professionals.

The Extended Project is an internally supervised competitive independent research project where prizes are awarded for the best final project.



Guildhouse University Fair and Oxbridge Admissions Events

Guildhouse School students have access to our exclusive University Fair which is attended by universities including the University of Cambridge, the London School of Economics, Imperia College of London, as well as world-leading US and Canadian universities. This event gives students a valuable opportunity to talk directly to university admissions teams about their degree programmes, campuses, and specific entry criteria.

A Global School in a Global City

Guildhouse School campus is in the centre of the exclusive Bloomsbury area – the heart of academic and literary London. From our central location, students become immersed in London's enterprising culture which celebrates and rewards high achievers.

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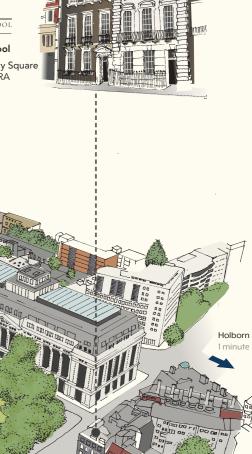






Guildhouse School

43-45 Bloomsbury Squa London WC1A 2RA





King's Cross Station 10 minutes

British Museum 4 minutes

Oxford Street 10 mi

Great Location

The school is located
1 minute from Holborn
underground station and
a 10-minute walk from
Oxford Street.



Inspection results

UK government inspectors confirm all pastoral and academic regulations met



Safe campus

Guildhouse School is located in the exclusive Bloomsbury Square. Here students can enjoy the history of this peaceful park which dates back to the 17th century.



Business focus

The only secondary school in Europe with a Bloomberg Business Lab

Boarding

Our boarding house is located just three minutes from the school, meaning students can study and live in the heart of the action.

Dining

All meals are served on campus for catered students, cooked by our team of on-site chefs. Recent menus include: chicken curry, roast beef with Yorkshire pudding, and stir fried noodles.



Single rooms with private en-suite bathroom



Shared Social Spaces



Walking distance of Oxford Street



Laundry facilities available on-site



House Parents, together with 24-hour security



Full catering offered to all boarders



Monitored Wireless internet access



Cleaning service provided







Premier House

Centrally located and close to school, Premier House has 67 en-suite single rooms and a further 35 shared en-suite rooms. Shared social and common room spaces offer all our students a home from- home feel. Live-in House Parents are available 24 hours a day onsite offering the highest standard of care and welfare. For added security the building is monitored with CCTV cameras.

This fabulous boarding house is situated only 3 minutes' walk from the school and right in the heart of the Bloomsbury area of Central London. Bloomsbury is widely recognised as a village-style residential area, close to the University of London core campus as well as many other academic buildings, including the world-renowned British Museum. Both Holborn and Russell Square Underground stations are very close.





Search **Guildhouse School Boarding** to discover more









Activities

We aim to provide activities that enrich the student experience and that support our mission of creating tomorrow's change makers. We place great emphasis on activities that make the best of our location in Central London and that empower our students to think for themselves, broaden their horizons and become effective problem solvers.

Current Activities

Co-curricular

- Photography club
- World music
- Drawing skills
- Film club
- Cross-stitch club
- Creative writing
- Chess club
- UK Maths Trust challenge
- Business workshops
- Computing Club
- Guildhouse School Magazine
- Young Enterprise
- Mindfulness
- Maths
- Arts and Crafts
- The Incubator (Business Challenge)
- Young Women's Club (Women in Music)
- Chess
- Robotics
- Innovation

Extra-curricular

- Fitness class
- Zumba
- Intercollege football
- Girls football
- Holiday events, (e.g. ice skating)







- Singing lessons
- paintballing, bowling,









Activities may change as we try to accommodate student requests

An Impactful Education

We empower every student to achieve their best academic outcome. Our range of internationally recognised qualifications has been developed to give students opportunities that suit their individual needs and aspirations and reach their university goals.

UK SCHOOL YEAR

US GRADE EQUIVALENT

QUALIFICATION

YEAR 11

10th Grade

Pre-A level

Language and subject preparation for A level or University Foundation Programme.

Ages 15+

11th Grade

A level (2 years)

YEAR 12

A higher level qualification recognised by universities around the world. Choose 3+ subjects to focus on over the two-year programme.

Ages 15.5+

YEAR 13

12th Grade

University Foundation Programme

A programme designed for international students to bridge high school in their own country to university in the UK. Choose 3+ English subjects to focus on.

Ages 16.5+

Academic English

A full-time intensive students meet the English to progress directly into our

Ages 16+

programme designed to help Language entry requirements other programmes.

UK High School Term (1, 2 or 3 term)

UK High School Term allows students to take classes in the British education system before returning to their studies at home or continuing to study in the UK.

Ages 15+

HIGHER EDUCATION

Progress to top universities

Guildhouse School students receive one-toone impartial guidance on applying to the best university for them. We also have guaranteed offer agreements with over 40 UK universities to give students the confidence that they can progress to a leading institution upon successfully meeting the entry requirements. Students applying to Guildhouse School receive conditional offers from:















Search Guildhouse School **University Partnership** to see our full list of university partnerships



University Foundation Programme

Designed specifically for high achieving international students, the University Foundation Programme (UFP) acts as a bridge from students' high school education in their own country to university in the UK.

At Guildhouse School we offer UFP starting in September and January.

We have a progression agreement with over 40 **UK** universities

54% of students achieved at least one A* or A in 2022

Overview

The UFP recognises the specific academic challenges that International students face and uses assessment strategies that offer the best opportunities to demonstrate a student's academic level and potential Students each choose three academic subjects with exams at the end of the qualification. In addition, all students attend academic English classes designed to develop their English skills for university.

Final UFP grades are determined by exams as well as a significant amount of coursework which simulates the structure of most UK university courses.

Choosing a subject combination is important as universities look for students that have good grades in the right subjects. We work intensively with each student choose the best combination to help achieve their university and career aspirations.



Key Facts

Age

16.5+

Entry requirements

At least 11 years of schooling and a good school record

Language requirements

IELTS 4.5+ or equivalent

Average class size

Hours per week

Course duration

3 terms (September start) 2 terms (January start)

decisions I have ever made. The staff are always able to help you; it was really great to study in such a supportive school!"

and Merchandising at the University of the Arts London



Search Guildhouse School UFP to discover more



Gain an accredited qualification accepted by 95 of 100 to UK universities



Unlock progressing to a UK or international university



Develop skills needed to succeed at university with a focus on improved capacity to learn with confidence and independence



Develop the foundation knowledge needed to study a specific subject at



Experience life at a London boarding school and prepare for study at a UK university





Improved English language fluency and proficiency

undergraduate level

A level

A levels are the classic British path into higher education and offer an excellent route to study at high ranking UK universities. A levels are a highly regarded qualification and can open the widest choice of UK universities. At Guildhouse School students can join Year 12 in both September and January to study for the A level qualification.

Overview

A levels are a focussed qualification of three subjects and English studied over two years, with examinations in the second year.

At Guildhouse School our A level delivery is specifically designed for motivated international students, with additional English language support to help them excel in their studies. We offer a wide range of subjects we work with each student to choose the best combination to achieve their university goals.

of confirmed offers are to a top 50 UK University

of students achieved at least one A* or A in 2022



A level qualification in a wide choice of subjects, including Sciences, Humanities, and the Arts



Develop desirable study skills, such as critical thinking, essay/report writing and solution-based thinking



Unlock progressing to a UK or international university



Get exposure to the style of assessment and teaching in the UK



Complete challenging research and homework tasks



Prepare for an English qualification recognised by international universities

Key Facts Age

15.5+

Entry requirements

At least 10 years of schooling and a good school record

Language requirements

IELTS 5.0+ or equivalent

Average class size

11

Hours per week

22+

Course duration

6 terms

(September and January start)





"London is the best city to get experience in economics and business. The Bloomberg Lab is a great opportunity to learn about the financial sector, which is one of the main reasons I chose this school. My teachers are very supportive and teach you techniques and different situations useful for university and your future career."

Gabriel from Peru went on to study Economics and Management at the University of St Andrews.

Pre-A level

Pre-A level is designed as an introduction to the UK Further Education system and follows a similar approach to GCSE, but with a duration of one year or less. Students experience a wide range of subjects which prepares them to progress to study A level, although this programme is also suitable for students wishing to progress to study UFP if they are of the appropriate age.

Pre-A level offers students the opportunity to improve their English prior to moving to more advanced study and students should expect to take external exams in English and Maths. At Guildhouse School, we offer both September and January starting points for Pre-A level.

Key Facts

Age

15+

Entry requirements

At least 9 years of schooling and a good school record

Language requirements

IELTS 4.0+ or equivalent

Average class size

11

Hours per week

32+

Course duration

3 terms (September start) 2 terms (January start) "The UK is known for its great educational system. When I came here I learned really interesting things, for example, how to apply Maths formulas to real life."

Harry from Vietnam went on to study Computer Science at the University of Leicester





Search **Guildhouse Pre- A level** to discover more





Introduces a student to UK teaching and prepares them for further study



Improved subject knowledge for university preparation programmes



English fluency and proficiency ready for university preparation programmes



Enhanced study skills required to excel in a chosen university preparation programme



Builds personal confidence and independence



Improved collaborative skills

UK High School Term

Overview

The UK High School Term gives students an insight into British education and culture. Students are enrolled in classes depending on their schooling level in their home country and English level. Our aim is to ensure that students are placed in a suitably challenging education environment where they will soon reach the level of their peers and be able to flourish.

This programme is ideal for students looking for an international experience without disrupting their academic studies at home. Classes are designed to complement a student's current studies and a notarised report can be produced showing the individual progress and achievements of the student.





Search **Guildhouse School UK High School Term** to discover more



Experience studying in the British education system



Enjoy a range of activities and trips around the UK



Study with peers from over 70 countries and gain global perspective



Earn study credits in your home country



Improve confidence



Improve your English language skills



Key Facts

Age 15+

Entry requirements

A good school report

Language requirements

IELTS 4.0+ for Pre-A level or A level 4.5+ for UFP (or equivalent)

Course duration 1, 2 or 3 terms

"The thing I like most is the small size of the classes. There is a lot of space to think and share our own opinions. Our teachers do a lot of experiments with us to show us how chemistry works."

Yexuan from China went on to study Education at the University of York

Academic English

A full-time intensive programme designed to help students meet the English Language entry requirements to progress directly into our other programmes.

Overview

Our Academic English Programme helps students develop their English skills to excel in their chosen academic programme: A level, or University Foundation Programme.

This programme is designed to be taken before an academic programme. Students partake in various areas of intensive English language study including Academic English, Essay construction, research and note taking along with several projects and assignments to improve their abilities.

Key Facts

Age

16+

Entry requirements

A school report that identifies English needs that can be met by this programme and describes a student who is willing to learn and develop

Language requirements

IELTS 3.5+ or equivalent

Average class size

6

Hours per week

32+

Course duration

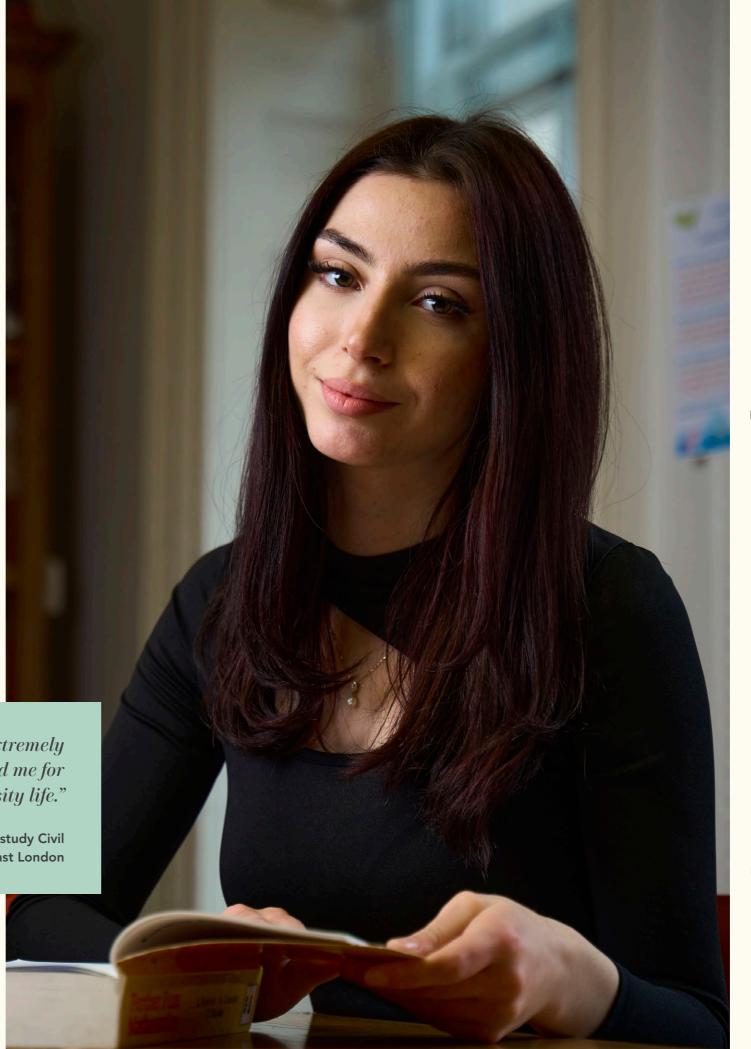
1, 2 or 3 terms

"The teachers were always extremely supportive and prepared me for university life."

Klidja from Albania went on to study Civil Engineering at the University of East London



Search **Guildhouse School Academic English** to
discover more





Prepares a student for further academic study in the UK



Prepare for tests like IELTS to be able to take the government approved IELTS for UKVI



An introduction to the vocabulary required for the student's chosen academic programme



Learn about the following subjects in English: Maths; Business; History; and the Sciences



Improved accuracy and fluency when using English



Improves a student's confidence



Admissions

Please visit our online application to make an application to Guildhouse School for your student. Applying online is quick and easy and is the fastest way for our admissions team to process your application.

All current fees and dates are available on our website. guildhouseschool.com/admissions guildhouseschool.com/applications



Scholarship of

The Scholarship of Excellence is awarded to exceptional students of any nationality who make a successful application to, and then go on to attend, the University of Oxford or the University of Cambridge.

Students joining or continuing their A level studies at Guildhouse are eligible for the scholarship. Winners of the scholarship will have the final two years of their course and accommodation fees reimbursed upon proof of acceptance and attendance of the first semester of the University of Oxford or the University of Cambridge. Students will also be asked to engage in marketing activity, events and provide a testimonial for promotional use. Students can notify the Headmaster of their eligibility.





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